S&H Form: (10/03) Attorney Docket No. 826,1650 **Application Number** 09/749,419 REPLY/AMENDMENT Filing Date December 28, 2000 **FEE TRANSMITTAL** Isao NAKAJIMA, et al. First Named Inventor Group Art Unit 2633 AMOUNT ENCLOSED 0.00 **Examiner Name** Unassigned FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03) Highest Number Number CLAIMS AS Claims Remaining Previously Paid For Extra **AMENDED** After Amendment Rate Calculations TOTAL CLAIMS 37 = 0 X 18.00 = 0.00 34 X \$ 86.00 =0.00 INDEPENDENT 5= 0 4 **CLAIMS** Since an Official Action set an original due date of <u>January</u> 6, <u>2004</u>, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00) If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00) Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00) 0.00 \$ Total of above Calculations = Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) 0.00 TOTAL FEES DUE = (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". **RECEIVED** (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". JAN 1 2 2004 (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". METHOD OF PAYMENT Technology Center 2600 Check enclosed as payment. Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION** If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit Ø any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: 19-3935 Deposit Account No. STAAS & HALSEY LLP Deposit Account Name The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under \boxtimes 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on January 6, 2004. The Amendment is filed by Certificate of Mailing and mailed on January 6, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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